



Belgium.

**Gigantic Strike as a Means to At-
tain That End.**

**The Great Industrial Uprising Goes On—
They Are Willing to Shed Their
Blood, But They Are Not Able
to Cope With the Army.**

BRUSSELS, April 19.—The night has

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...es expected, but nevertheless the outlook is threatening. Dispatches from all parts of the kingdom inhabited by the working people bring disquieting news. Disturbances occurred in several places during the night, but there was no concerted attempt to rebel against the king. The movement is directed entirely against the chamber of deputies and the ministers who opposed the workmen's demand for the right to vote when they reach legal age, without any property qualifications whatever.

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The king, it is known, is in favor of wide extension of the suffrage, and the crowds of excited workmen who are now demanding what they believe to be their right have nothing against him personally.

Impartial observers of the situation readily find sympathy with the strikers. Belgium is, with the exception of Russia, perhaps, the only country where there is absolutely no law protecting the workman from the rapacity and

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The Belgian workingmen have seen, within the past few years, their brethren in other countries placed under the protection of special laws enacted for their benefit, and have seen employers held to a strict liability when these laws are violated.

The Belgians have had nothing, and the bourgeois class, which rules the country, evidently intend that they shall have nothing if they can prevent

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the hood and secure their rights, the spectacle presents itself of a gigantic demonstration of the people against their representatives among the lawmakers.

Were the strikers armed and disciplined, there is no question but that the industrial revolution now shaking the country would quickly become a bloody contest. If, like the strikers, with no arms but with actions as effective as any instances routed the armed police, and have not hesitated to attack the soldiers.

The peace effective of Belgium officers and men is 41,491, exclusive of the militia force, numbering 18,647 men. I would it were for us to see that the organized mobs of workmen, only a few of whom possess weapons, have

ment by resorting to attacks upon the troops. Yet, with their passions in-

men by resorting to attacks upon the troops. Yet, with their passions inflamed by the words of their leaders, the strikers do not hesitate to fight, and, unless extreme steps are taken against them, the trouble will result disastrously to the trade and commerce of the country.

In Antwerp Tuesday the outlook is so threatening that it was Monday, and this despite the fact that extraordinary military precautions have been taken to preserve the peace.

tors in Antwerp are a number of anarchists. Of these, two, Fabri and

The striking dock laborers began their disorderly demonstrations again Tuesday. They took possession of the docks and marched along the water front attacking the men who were at work, compelling many of them to quit.

In the Charlevoix district, where 30,000 men are employed, work in the mines may be said to be at a standstill. 20,000 of the miners have quit work.

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are pitiable. Most of these miners are miserably poor, and they and their families are bound to suffer. The government has issued a decree calling out all the militia for the defense of the state. This means the mobilization of some 45,000 troops against the workingmen.

Immigrants Returned.

BUFFALO, N. Y., April 19.—Two

no landed at Halifax have attempted
get into Buffalo, but were unsuccessful.

Michael Poterski and his wife arrived at Fort Erie with clean bills of health signed by the U. S. consuls at Buffalo. The officers were allowed to cross the river, but upon landing on the Canadian side were met by Inspector Deerry, who found that they were patriots and promptly returned them to the Canadian side.

tributed as follows: Pacific coast 900, Atlantic coast 10,000, the Gulf

tributed as follows: Pacific coast 2,000, Atlantic coast 10,000, the Gulf coast district 2,000, and the district of Great Lakes 5,000. The organization is in a prosperous condition.

Impaled on a Rod Hot Rod.
CHICAGO, April 19.—Albert Dettle, aged 31 years, is employed at the Fairmount wire works. Tuesday, while at work, a heavy wire which was at a high temperature broke. The rod struck his right side, entering between the seventh and eighth ribs. The flesh was lacerated and emitted a nauseous odor. How far it penetrated is not known. The man was removed to his home, and is in precarious condition.

An Editor Found Dead.
CLEVELAND, O., April 19.—Charles R. Williams, managing editor of the Plain Dealer, was found dead in his room.

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Monday. Apoplexy is supposed to have caused his death. He was one of the best known journalists in Ohio.

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McKinnivan Post No. 166.—Meets third Saturday night in each month.
Woman's Relief Corps No. 28.—Meets first Tuesday in each month.